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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action for the above-identified patent application mailed December 18, 2002, please extend the date for response by one month up to and including April 18, 2003. Applicants enclose a petition for a one-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action together with a check to cover the requisite extension fee.

AMENDMENTS

Prior to further examination, please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims

Cancel claims 5, 36, 37, 44 and 46 without prejudice to their subsequent reintroduction into this application or their introduction into a subsequently filed continuation application.

Please amend claims 1, 6, 8, 33, 38, 40, 41, 45 and 49 to read as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A method of treating unwanted choroidal neovasculation comprising endothelial cells in a mammal, the method comprising the steps of:
 - (a) administering to the mammal an anti-angiogenesis factor selected from the group consisting of angiostatin and an anti-vascular endothelial growth factor antibody